



## Frequently Asked Questions: Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)

Below you'll find some of the most frequently asked questions from citizens, businesses and agency and non-profit partners (Updated 4/13/09)

**Q. Who is eligible for this recovery fund program and what can this money be used for?**

A. Eligible applicants include states, units of general local government, and nonprofit entities or consortia of nonprofit entities, which may submit proposals in partnership with for profit entities. Eligible uses of the funds include: establishing financing mechanisms for purchase and redevelopment of foreclosed upon homes and residential properties, including such mechanisms as soft-second, loan loss reserves, and shared-equity loans for low- and moderate-income homebuyers; purchase and rehabilitate homes and residential properties that have been abandoned or foreclosed upon, in order to sell, rent, or redevelop such homes and properties; establish land banks for homes that have been foreclosed upon; demolish blighted structures; and redevelop demolished or vacant properties.

**Q. How much money is available?**

A. Nationally, there will be \$2 billion available to be distributed competitively.

**Q. Where, how and when do I apply for money?**

A. The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is required to publish criteria on which to base competition for any grants awarded not later than 75 days (May 3, 2009) after the enactment of the Act, and applications shall be due to HUD not later than 150 days (July 17, 2009) after the enactment of the Act. CTED will be working with local partners and may submit one application for the entire state which would cover the activities of the state, as well as within each local jurisdiction.

**Q. What is CTED's role in distributing the money?**

A. CTED will receive the money from HUD and pass it through to the partners/sub-recipients chosen in the process described above.

**Q. Are there any other rules or obligations I need to know about?**

A. All materials used in the project must be produced in the United States. Recipients shall also use grant funds in a manner that maximizes job creation and economic benefit. Wages paid must meet Davis-Bacon requirements. Any program income generated by NSP activities will need to be monitored and spent only on eligible NSP activities. Federal regulations will need to be followed, such as National Environmental Protection Act and the Uniform Relocation Act.

**Q. I still have questions. Who do I contact to get more information?**

A. Please contact Bill Mandeville at [billm@cted.wa.gov](mailto:billm@cted.wa.gov) or at (360) 725-3051.